Master of Athletic Training Program
ARTICULATION AGREEMENT
Loras College
AND
St. Ambrose University

This articulation agreement outlines the understanding established between Loras College and St. Ambrose University for a St. Ambrose University undergraduate student to transition to Loras College to pursue the Master of Athletic Training (MAT) program. The agreement details the requirements for students to be considered for admission to the MAT program and the understanding between Loras College and St. Ambrose University for reverse transfer of credits that will count toward the student's remaining requirements for the bachelor's degree and the requirements for the MAT degree.

A. Intent

1. Loras College has developed an articulation agreement with St. Ambrose University to establish the responsibilities of each institution and admission criteria, to allow students to complete the first three years of the undergraduate degree at St. Ambrose University and then transfer to Loras College for completion of coursework for the MAT degree, through a 3+2 pathway.

B. Articulation Agreement

1. St. Ambrose University students who have completed a minimum of 90 credits toward the bachelor's degree, have met the admission requirements for the MAT program, and have been admitted to the MAT program will be eligible for an accelerated 3+2 program that awards the bachelor's degree from St. Ambrose University in the student's 4th year and the MAT degree from Loras College in the student's 5th year.
2. St. Ambrose University students will apply for admission to the MAT program in their third year by December 1 through ATCAS.
3. Loras College will reserve two spots for qualified St. Ambrose University students in each MAT cohort beginning with the cohort entering in the summer of 2024.
4. Students who have completed first year of the MAT coursework at the conclusion of the 4th year of study will request an official Loras transcript be sent to St. Ambrose University.
5. St. Ambrose University will award the bachelor's degree to the student at the conclusion of the student's 4th year.
6. After the bachelor's degree has been conferred, students will request an official transcript from St. Ambrose University be sent to Loras College so the student can officially be designated a graduate student.
7. Students who successfully complete all requirements for the MAT program by the conclusion of the 5th year will be awarded the MAT degree by Loras College.
8. Students participating in this agreement will pay tuition and fees to St. Ambrose University while enrolled at St. Ambrose University for the first three years of this agreement and will pay tuition and fees to Loras College for the 2 years

enrolled at Loras College. Institutional aid from St. Ambrose University does not carry forward to Loras College and students will pay a MAT program fee upon beginning the first year of the MAT program.

C. Responsibilities of St. Ambrose University
    1. St. Ambrose University will be responsible for identifying and communicating the necessary majors that allow students to complete this accelerated pathway to the MAT degree.
    2. St. Ambrose University will advise the student within the first three years to complete necessary courses for general education, the major of choice, the necessary pre-requisites, and a minimum of 90 credits.
    3. St. Ambrose University will make eligible students aware of the 3+2 program.
    4. St. Ambrose University will confer the bachelor's degree after the student's fourth year upon the receipt of the transfer of 30 credits of coursework completed at Loras College.

D. Responsibilities of Loras College
    1. Loras College will reserve two spots for qualified St. Ambrose University students in each MAT cohort beginning with the cohort entering in the summer of 2024. Loras college will advise the student in their fourth and fifth years of the program, so they successfully complete all of the coursework necessary for the reverse transfer to St. Ambrose University and the MAT program.
    2. Loras College will send each student's official transcript, upon request from the student to St. Ambrose University after completion of the student's first year of courses at Loras College.
    3. Loras College will share marketing materials and promotional information with St. Ambrose University to promote the MAT program to prospective students.
    4. Loras College will confer the MAT degree upon completion of all MAT degree requirements, completing the 3+2 agreement.

E. Responsibilities of the Student
    1. The student will declare the necessary major at St. Ambrose University to be eligible for the 3+2 program.
    2. The student will complete 90 credits including general education requirements, major courses, and necessary pre-requisites.
    3. The student will apply to the Loras College MAT program by December 1 in their third year or once they have completed 72 credits and are on track to complete all pre-requisite courses by the start of the MAT program..
    4. Once the student has been accepted to the 3+2 program at Loras, they should complete the FAFSA for their 4th year. FAFSA's should be submitted to Loras College prior to March 1.
    5. The student will complete the fourth year of required coursework at Loras College and request an official transcript be sent to St. Ambrose University upon completion of the fourth year.

6. Prior to beginning the fifth year at Loras College, the student will complete the FAFSA as a graduate student at Loras College.
7. After the bachelor's degree is conferred, the student will request the official transcript from St. Ambrose University be sent to Loras College to verify the student is eligible for graduate coursework.

F. Admission Criteria

a. To be eligible for admission to the Loras College MAT program, students must meet the admissions criteria found on the Loras College MAT website.

G. Terms and Terminations

a. This agreement will take effect upon review and approval with signatures from both institutions. The agreement will remain in effect for three years, after which the agreement will be reviewed for accuracy and may be renewed. Should either party decide to terminate the agreement, 12 months prior notice is required to the other institution, provided in writing.

H. Mutual Indemnification

a. Each party shall indemnify and hold harmless the other party and its officers, employees, directors, and/or agents from and against all suits, actions, claims, or liability of any character, type, or description brought by third part including, but not limited to, all expenses of litigation, court costs, penalties, and whatsoever and of any kind or nature directly resulting or arising from any breach of party and/or its agents of any provisions of this Agreement, or and negligent or willful act or omission of a party and/or its agents.

I. Relationships

a. The parties are acting herein as independent contractors. Nothing herein contained shall create or be construed as creating a partnership, joint venture or agency relationship between either of the parties and no party shall have the authority to bind to the other in any respect.

J. Entire Agreement

a. The Agreement shall constitute the complete and exclusive written expression of the intentions of the parties hereto and shall supersede all previous communications, representations, Agreements, promises or statements, either oral or written, by and between either parties.

Dr. Donna Heald, Provost and Academic Dean
Loras College

3/29/23
Date

James E. Collins, President
Loras College

3-30-23
Date

Dr. Paul Koch, Provost and Vice President
Academic and Student Affairs
St. Ambrose University

3/29/23
Date

Dr. Amy Novak, President
St. Ambrose University

3-29-23
Date

Appendix A: Pre-requisite coursework based on SAU's catalog

One (1) Semesters of General Physics (with lab)
College Physics I (4 credits)

One (1) Semesters of General Chemistry (with lab)
General Chemistry I (4 credits)

One (1) Semesters of Psychology (additional psychology coursework recommended, but not required)
Introduction to Psychology (3 credits)

Two (2) Semesters of Anatomy and Physiology (with lab)
Human Anatomy & Physiology I (4 credits)
Human Anatomy & Physiology II (4 credits)

One (1) Semester of Biology (with lab)
Principles of Biology (4 credits) or General Biology I (4 credits)

KIN 240 Nutrition Concepts (3 credits)

STAT 213 Statistics for Social Sciences (3 credits)

KIN 390 Exercise Physiology (4 credits)

KIN 410 Biomechanics (3 credits)

Appendix B: MAT Program Plan

Fourth Year

Summer

ATR 510	Evaluation of Injuries I	3 hours
ATR 575	Advanced Care of Athletic Illness & Injury	3 hours
ATR 601	Clinical Experience I	2 hours
		8 hours

Fall

ATR 520	Therapeutic Interventions I	3 hours
ATR 511	Evaluation of Injuries II	3 hours
ATR 530	Evidence Based Practice - Athletic Training	3 hours
ATR 602	Clinical Experience II	3 hours
		12 hours

Spring

ATR 580	Pathophysiology	3 hours
ATR 521	Therapeutic Interventions II	3 hours
ATR 603	Clinical Experience III	3 hours
	Elective Course	3 hours
		12 hours

Fifth Year

Summer

ATR 540	Epidemiology	3 hours
ATR 541	Public Health	3 hours
ATR 604	Clinical Experience IV	2 hours
		8 hours

Fall

ATR 610	Advanced Psychology of Injuries	3 hours
ATR 542	Health & Wellness Promotion	3 hours
ATR 630	Healthcare Administration	3 hours
ATR 605	Clinical Experience V	6 hours
		15 hours

Spring

ATR 680	Research in Athletic Training	3 hours
ATR 611	Topics in Athletic Training	3 hours
ATR 606	Clinical Experience VI	6 hours
		12 hours